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STATE REPUBLICAN.

West Virginia is now as certainly Republican as Ohio and Pennsylvania. The majority will increase at each election until in a few years it will be from fifty to one hundred thousand.

While various things have contributed to the result attained in West Virginia in a political way, no one cause has been more potent in the matter than the work of the newspapers. The Republican press of this State is a great educational factor. Young men who read Republican papers, even if surrounded by Democratic influences, generally become Republican.

The State Journal claims that it is doing its share of this work. It believes that those who read it are convinced by what it says. Statements are frequently made to it by young men just coming to the voting age, that although they had a tendency in the opposite direction, by reading it they are convinced that Republicanism is right.

After all, most people do some thinking for themselves and the way to win honest men is to convince them. Vilification and abuse have as little weight in determining political situations and securing results, as they have in other matters.—Parkersburg State Journal.

The proclamation of Mayor Kinsey, published yesterday, was a thing never before heard of in Fairmont, and was certainly a serious reflection on its people. In forbidding, as he does, "the gunning or the use of fire-crackers of any size or any explosives whatsoever" next Sabbath, it implies that our people have been desecrators of the holy day in times gone by, while the fact is that they have been as free from such a thing as the people of any other town or city in the State. The proclamation has been the subject of much comment, our citizens viewing it as the West Virginian does, and we think justice demands us to say that Fairmont is by no means a Sabbath-breaking town, and never until yesterday has it been accused of being such.

It only amuses West Virginians to hear that another effort is to be made to make this State pay a part of the debts of old Virginia, which debts were contracted while we were a part of that commonwealth. The holders of the debts are heard from only about the time our Legislature meets. The old State figures that West Virginia's share to be paid is \$15,000,000. The latter's position is that it does not owe and will not pay anything.

If Congressman Dayton stands as close to President Roosevelt as some people say he does, he may get his friend and townsman, Charles F. Tetter, the Internal Revenue Collectorship, notwithstanding our two Senators—Scott and Elkins—are said to have recommended W. E. Glasscock for the place.

There were many expressions of regret heard to-day when it became known that the jury in the Nan Patterson case had failed to agree.

The Socialist Vote.

Official figures do not justify the joy manifested by the Socialists over the last election or the alarm of the conservatively inclined over the growth in numbers of the followers of the doctrines espoused by that party. Instead of being 600,000 as generally believed, there were but 392,000 votes polled for Eugene V. Debs. There have been times when the Prohibitionists cast a larger vote than this, yet that party in the past eight years has shown no indication that it will ever amount to anything as an independent political force.

With a more radical platform in 1908, which now seems a certainty, the News believes the Democrats will swallow the larger part of the Socialist party. The experience of the Populists furnishes grounds for this opinion. When in their zenith the Populists were far more powerful numerically than the Socialists are. In 1892 their candidate for President polled 22 electoral votes and they had several Senators and Representatives. Yet when the Democratic party espoused doctrines tinctured with Populism the Populists retrograded until they are no longer to be seriously considered. It will be so with the Socialists.—Wheeling News.

VISITORS LEFT BEFORE GAME ENDED

THUS FORFEITING GAME OF BASKET BALL AT Y. M. C. A. ROOMS LAST NIGHT.

Once again has Fairmont defeated Clarksburg at basket ball. The Y. M. C. A. teams from the two cities met last night on the floor of the local association and at the end of the contest the score was tied 12 to 12. As is generally known, no tie is allowed in this game and the teams continue to play until one or the other makes a basket. When the whistle blew at the end of the game, the visitors immediately left the floor and refused to return when the referee ordered them to do so, claiming that one of their men had sprained an ankle and that they had brought no subs along. Tickets had been forwarded to them for eight men and the full quota came and was admitted to the game. But when the regular player was supposed to have been injured, then they put up the plea that the extra men were not players and knew nothing about the game but had been brought along just for fun. That was no fault of the locals and the referee gave the game to Fairmont.

It was an extremely hard fought game and for rough playing went away ahead of any ever played on the local floor. Clarksburg had the best team in her history and at many stages it looked bad for "us."

Maylott, the physical instructor, who participated in the entire game was a tower of strength to his side and both Carr and Thompson ably assisted him.

For Fairmont Hawley was nearly the whole game, yet Flenberg was the closest kind of a second. These two men gave clever demonstrations of team work, which was entirely different from the visitors' one man show.

Fairmont 12. Clarksburg 12.
Hawley L. F. Maylott
Miller-Watkins R. F. Thompson
Flenberg center Carr
Layman L. C. Kane
Moss R. G. Camp-Scott.

Mrs. Hanley, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. G. Badgley, of Fairmont avenue, for some time past, returned to her home at Apple Grove, this State, yesterday morning. Mrs. Hanley will leave in a short time for the Southern States to spend the winter.

If Santa Claus will take the youngster one of our magic lanterns, money bank, air rifle, pocket knife, tricycle, express wagon, sled, tool chest or a pair of K. K. skates he will be delighted with his Christmas present. J. L. Hall's Hardware.

Miss Estelle Hamilton, whose illness from tonsillitis was mentioned in yesterday's paper, is much improved to-day. Her condition was so serious yesterday that it was found necessary to administer antitoxin twice.

New Bank Director.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the People's Bank of Fairmont, Howard R. Furbee, sheriff-elect, was elected a member of said board.

Fine line of ladies' furs; call at J. S. Pople's first—goods up to date—cheaper than the cheapest.

How about having a baby's picture taken? See Howard, the photographer, 106 Main street.

All of the latest telegraphic and local news will be found in the West Virginian.

Read the West Virginian. It has the latest news.

PATTERSON JURY FAILED TO AGREE

(Continued from First Page.)

tombs she began wearily to unpack the case again.

This morning she was brought over to the prisoners' pen in the criminal court building, where she greeted her waiting father with a kiss.

"Have no fear my girl," he said to her tenderly, "God is with us."

Until the midnight hour a crowd of people stood in and about the building awaiting the word that a verdict had been reached.

Never before in the history of the city's murder trials have the police had to cope with such swarms of people in the court. Centre street was almost blocked last night and the reserves of three police stations were called to disperse the gatherings. It was not until midnight when the news came that the jury had been locked up that the last of the crowd melted away and sought their homes.

Long before the big building was thrown open for business to-day, the knots of people stood on the corner opposite the court room and waited. Others stood watching the Bridge of Sighs, waiting to catch a glimpse of the black gowned actress as she passed on her way from the tombs to the prisoners' pen in the court building.

The juryman had a hard night of it. They wrangled until nearly three o'clock in the morning when the light was put out and it was evidently intended to get some sleep. There were no cots or blankets in the jury room and the men had to stretch out on chairs. In this way they obtained a little rest.

Later the steam heat in the building ran low and some of the juryman complained to Captain John Lynch who guarded the door. He aroused the engineer to give the building some heat.

The jurors were astir early. At seven o'clock they told their guardians that they were hungry and ten minutes later they marched out of the building to a neighboring restaurant. Their haggard appearance indicated the strain they were laboring under. The jury returned to the criminal court building soon after eight o'clock and were locked up in their room for further deliberation.

There were many rumors about the Court-house this morning as to how the jury stood. One was to the effect that they stood six to six for murder in the first degree and acquittal.

Three Ballots Taken.

It was agreed among the juryman that they would permit the foreman to do all the talking to the representatives of the press concerning the deliberations.

It was stated that three ballots were taken this morning and it was said at no time was the degree of homicide agreed upon and three hours were confined to argument of the facts in the case. It was understood the juryman stood six to six on all ballots.

Miner Hurt.

An Italian miner by name of Sam Muscar, from the O'Neill Mines, Phoenixville, was brought to the Miners' Hospital last evening with a fractured leg.

Four cases were dismissed from the hospital to-day and will rejoin their families in time for the Christmas festivities.



FAIRMONT, W. VA.

SOCIETY

MRS. HARRY HARTLEY

Was Hostess to Whist Club Yesterday Afternoon.

The Whist Club met yesterday afternoon in the rooms of Mrs. Harry Hartley on Main street. As stated before the club is composed of twenty five young ladies of the city, and meets every week at the home of one of the members of the club. Two tables of six-handed and two tables of four-handed euchre were played and a most delightful afternoon was spent by all those present. The rooms were charmingly decorated with holly while the tables were numbered with red and white striped candy. The score cards carried the color scheme still farther by being made of heart shaped pasteboard tied with red ribbons to candy canes. The lonehand prize was won by Miss Elizabeth Haymond who was presented with a pretty calendar. The first prize fell to Miss Florence Stone, and she also was presented with a dainty calendar. Miss Ruth Arnett was given as consolation a large candy cane tied with a bow of red ribbon.

Mrs. J. H. Hough, Mrs. Harry Crane and Mrs. C. Powell were the only visitors present.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess at the close of the play.

The club will meet next week with Miss Margaret McKinney who will be assisted in entertaining by her sister, Miss Nola McKinney, who is home from her art studies in Baltimore for the holidays.

Annual Reception.

The Vigilant Circle of King's Daughters is preparing to hold its annual reception at the home of Mrs. Harry F. Smith, of Bridge street, this year. The reception will be given on the afternoon of Monday, the 2d of January, and promises to be a delightful social function. The officers of the Society will assist Mrs. Smith in receiving and no detail will be overlooked by the careful committee in charge. The hours will be from two until five, and it is hoped that every friend of the Circle residing in the city will partake of the hospitality always so graciously extended by the energetic members of this charitable organization.

A more detailed account will be published later, but an early announcement is made so that none of the pleasure of anticipation may be lost.

Mrs. Cunningham Entertaining.

Mrs. Robert T. Cunningham is entertaining a number of her friends this afternoon at her home on Rhea Terrace in a novel and happy manner. A Christmas tree is one of the principal features of enjoyment and dainty souvenirs and delicious bonbons are being awarded those included in her list of close friends.

Coming House Party.

Mrs. W. H. Nicholson, Jr., will entertain a house party during the coming week. Her guests will include a number of Mr. Nicholson's relatives and will be in the nature of a family reunion.

Several brilliant entertainments are being planned for the coming weeks and much interest is being manifested by society folk over the nature and culmination of the several events.

John P. Wigginton was appointed guardian of Jeannette L. Wigginton and Mary Isabell Wigginton, infant heirs of Viola Wigginton, deceased, with Chas. F. Wigginton security Bond, \$1,000.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McGregor, of Clarksburg, will spend Christmas with friends in this city.

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MEN'S - \$3.50.
LADIES' \$3.00.

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HOMES FOR TEN

Children Have Been Provided By Humane Society.

The Humane Society has provided homes for ten children within the last two weeks. They now have on their hands three little girls taken from a home in Montana. The children are aged seven, four and two years, and are bright and attractive little girls. The mother is dying from cancer of the stomach and wished to see the children provided for before her death. The father is very poor and practically helpless, and while he very reluctantly gave the children up he acceded to the mother's wish. The society would be glad to hear of good private homes where one or more of these little ones would be welcomed.

This is a wonderful work the society is doing and their every effort should meet the support and co-operation of the public.

One of the retired business men of the city made a kindly donation to them the other day when he gave them a half dozen union suits to help supply the outfit of some destitute children. He also gave several dozen dolls of assorted sizes to help make glad many childish hearts in this vicinity on Christmas day.

It is said that labor troubles in the United States in less than three years have caused the death of 198 persons, the injury of 1,966, and the arrest of 6,114. The argument for arbitration is practically conclusive, says the Parkersburg News.

Presents that are useful in granite, nickel, aluminum and chinaware, silver tea and table spoons, knives and forks, carving sets, granite roasters, carpet sweepers, scissors and shears, and prices pared, at J. L. Hall's Hardware.

ELEVEN PERSONS

Were Overcome By Coal Gas Fumes In Tenement House.

(By Publishers' Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 23.—Eleven persons were overcome by coal gas early this morning in a Russian bath and tenement house conducted by Morris Kupperman, at 315 Monroe street. They were taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital and resuscitated without any fatalities. A score or more of men, women and children who lived in the house were affected by the fumes, but were treated by physicians in the neighborhood. The gas was generated by a giant coal stove used in the bath house.

GOOD THINGS TO EAT.

The Place to Buy Your Christmas Dainties Is at Old People's Bank Building.

The church workers of the Central Christian Church will hold an exchange in the old People's Bank building to-morrow, December 24. They will have a fine line of cakes, pies, puddings, salads, homemade candies, chicken, homemade bread and baked beans. Come early and get something good for your Christmas dinner.

The Other Side.

At the urgent request of those responsible for the good behavior of Phil Johnson, we give their side the case. They say it is impossible for Phil to have been out as was the report, but they think people saw another fellow who is often mistaken for Phil. On the other hand, some people are insistent that it was Phil, and say they cannot be mistaken. Both sides claim to be cocksure that they are right, so it is a case of "pay your money and take your choice."

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Must All Go At 1-2 Price.A lot of New Xmas Goods received to-day for our Xmas Annex.
SPECIAL--\$4.00 Vases only \$2.50. Other goods just as cheap.

Fifteen dozen more Ladies' Ties and Stocks received to-day.

You should see our Linens--Dresser Covers, Table Covers, Mexican Drawn Work, 50 cents to \$10.00.

Plenty of Handkerchiefs for all, 5 cents to \$2.00 each.

Our Furs are beauties for the prices. Children's Fur Sets \$1.25 to \$6.00.

Children's Coats \$1.50 to \$7.50. Caps 25 cents to \$3.25.

SPECIAL--\$2.50 Pure Silk Umbrella, only \$1.60.

Petticoats, 50 cents to \$10.00. Cotton, Wool and Silk.

Walking Skirts three fifty to seven fifty. All Pure Wool goods.



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